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Please amend Claims 1-3, 20, 31, and 57 and add new Claims 60-89 to read as follows. A marked-up copy of the amended claims, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

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1. (Twice Amended) A displaying method of managing a plurality of network devices, acquiring information related to a selected network device of the plurality of network devices, and displaying acquired information of the selected network device, said method comprising:

a first display step of acquiring a first information related to the selected network device and displaying the first information on an initial screen of a device window, which is a window allocated to the selected network device; and

a second display step of acquiring, from the selected network device, a second information different from the first information and displaying the second information on a second screen of the device window in a case where a user has requested display of the second screen.

2. (Twice Amended) A network device control apparatus for managing a plurality of network devices, acquiring information related to a selected network device of the plurality of network devices, and displaying acquired information of the selected network device, comprising:

a first display unit for acquiring a first information related to the selected

network device and displaying the first information on an initial screen of a device window, which is a window allocated to the selected network device; and

a second display unit for acquiring, from the selected network device, a second information related to the selected network device and displaying the second information on a second screen of the device window in a case where a user has requested display of the second screen.

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3. (Twice Amended) A computer-readable recording medium storing a program for implementing a managing method of managing a plurality of network devices, an acquiring method of acquiring information related to a selected network device of the plurality of network devices, and a displaying method of displaying acquired information, the program comprising:

program code for a first display step of acquiring a first information related to the selected network device and displaying the first information on an initial screen of a device window, which is a window allocated to the selected network device; and

program code for a second display step of acquiring, from the selected network device, a second information related to the selected network device and displaying the second information on a second screen of the device window in a case where a user has requested display of the second screen.

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20. (Twice Amended) A recording medium according to claim 9, wherein the

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user specifies initial sheet information on an initial sheet information screen in the initial sheet information specifying step.

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31. (Twice Amended) A network device control method according to claim 7,  
wherein the information acquisition step comprises:

a display all sheet information decision step of deciding whether or not all sheet information was displayed;

a network device information hold decision step of deciding whether a cache is being held when it is determined in the display all sheet information decision step that not all of the information was displayed;

a sheet information compulsory acquisition decision step of deciding whether or not to compulsorily acquire sheet information;

a network device information acquisition step of acquiring information on the network device when it is determined in the sheet information compulsory acquisition decision step to compulsorily acquire sheet information;

a cache comparison step of comparing a cache value with a device information value newly acquired by the network device information acquisition step;

a cache value hold step of holding the acquired network device information as a cache value when results of the comparison of the cache value with the newly acquired device information value are determined to differ, and also when it is determined in the network device information holding decision step that previously acquired network device information is not

being held;

a network device information display step of displaying on the network device window the cache value held in the cache value hold step;

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a sheet list status change step of changing a status of currently displayed information on the sheet list to a display-completed status in order to decide whether to display all network device information in the display all sheet information step;

an update decision step of deciding whether or not to update a display of information on the device window when it is determined that all network device information was displayed in the display all sheet information step;

a timer update set step of setting an automatic update timer when it is decided to perform updates in the update decision step;

a timer update monitor step of determining whether or not time is up on the automatic update timer set in the timer update set step; and

an update stop monitor step of monitoring whether updating has stopped or not when the time has not run out on the automatic update timer monitored in the timer update monitor step.

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57. (Amended) A method of managing a plurality of network devices, acquiring information of a selected network device of the plurality of network devices, and displaying the acquired information, said method comprising:

a first display step of acquiring a first information of a selected network device